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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants request that the documents identified on the attached PTO/SB08/a form be made of official record in the above-identified application and considered by the Examiner. The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. section 1.97(b). Copies of the identified documents are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

I. SUBMITTED US PATENT/PUBLICATION REFERENCES

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Date of Patent/Publication</u>
A1	2002168572	US	11-14-2002
A2	2002031708	US	03-14-2002

II. SUBMITTED FOREIGN PATENT/PUBLICATION REFERENCES

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Date of Publication</u>
B1	EP 1052711	EP	11-15-2000
B2	WO 03/023879	WO	03-20-2003
B3	EP 1244164	EP	09-25-2002
B4	JP 2002260637	JP	09-13-2002

III. SUBMITTED NON-PATENT/PUBLICATION REFERENCES

NONE

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II. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

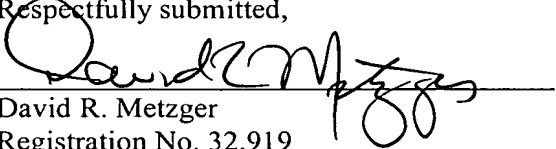
The above-identified documents were cited in a communication from the European Patent Office dated November 7, 2005 (copy enclosed herewith), in a counterpart foreign application (EP 20040007960, filed April 1, 2004).

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